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STARTING THE SAME

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Dear Sir:

This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).

Respectfully submitted,

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